Please add new claims as follows:

- --8. The document of claim 1 in which the printed text and the steganographically encoded plural bits of digital data cooperate to verify authenticity of the security document.
 - 9. The document of claim 8 in which the graphic is an image.
 - 10. The document of claim 9 in which the image is a photographic image.
- 11. The document of claim 8 wherein said digital data corresponds to at least part of said printed text.
- 12. The document of claim 8 wherein said digital data serves as an index into a registry containing additional information.
- 13. The document of claim 8 wherein said steganographic encoding does not visibly interrupt said graphic.
- 14. The document of claim 8 wherein said steganographic encoding adds noise to the graphic, said noise not being perceptible as a representation of said plural-bit digital data except by computer analysis, wherein the encoded graphic does not appear to convey digital data to human viewers thereof.
 - 15. An identity document according to claim 8.
 - 16. An identity document according to claim 1.